GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SCREENING TEST FOR DOCTORS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of MBBS degree holders from South American and other unrecognized Medical Colleges, seeking registration in India;

(b) whether a proposal exists to re-examine such degree holders in India, before granting recognition;

(c) if so, the details of such a scheme; and

(d) the time by which it is proposed to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): The Medical Council of India has been receiving a number of applications for registration from candidates having undergraduate medical qualifications obtained from medical institutions abroad which are not recognised by the Medical Council of India for the purpose of Indian Medical Council Act 1956. The Council has not granted registration to such applicants.

(b)to(d): Yes, Sir. A bill has been passed by Rajya Sabha on 06.08.2001 to amend the Indian Medical Council Act 1956 to provide for screening test for the Indian nationals holding foreign medical qualifications for their registration with the Medical Council of India/State Medical Councils.